



# FRS NEWS

*FRS News* is a free & irregular publication aimed at the listeners of the Free Radio Service Holland, an independent short wave free radio station. It usually comes out prior to or just after a broadcast..

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## INTRODUCTION

Welcome along in the *Autumn 2008 FRS Newsletter* edition! It's more or less a year ago since the previous edition #32 was published. In that year FRS carried out three broadcasts: November 2007 & December 2008 and a few weeks ago early November 2008. And there's one to come during the Christmas Season. BTW, if you are interested in catching previous editions, please send an e-mail and we'll provide you with the necessary details. Elsewhere you will find a potted history covering the story of the FRS Newsletter and FRS News. Any response to this edition is welcome. And perhaps you might have an idea how to make it even better. You can contact us via POBox 2702 or of course the easiest & fastest way: via e-mail <frs@frsholland.nl> or alternatively <frs.holland@hccnet.nl>. Don't hesitate...just do it !!! In this edition we are looking back at the aforementioned three broadcasts, we have the Fact File columns flashing back to November 1980

and December 1991, letters & e-mails in Mailbox 2702, a comprehensive Uplink edition and we look at the upcoming FRS broadcast on the 28th of December. For the first time the lay out includes coloured text and a few photos. Enough stuff to keep you quiet for some time....enjoy it!



## FRS-Holland NEWS by Peter V.



Once again we have to welcome a number of *new listeners* and in addition of course many faithful FRS friends. *Thank to all of you* for the (snail)(e) mail(s) we received regarding FRS-Holland's trms back in November & December 2007 and of course November 2008.

### FRS Activities

Sun November 18th marked the second 2007 FRS-Holland activity following a previous February broadcast. Programmes were aired between 09.00–13.00 CET. Propagation was rather poor that day. Nevertheless we received quite a number of letters and mails. The encouraging response made us decide to to yet another broadcast before the end of the year. And so we decided to go on air on the 30th December, just after the X-Mas weekend. During X-Mas the bands are mostly overcrowded and we felt it was a good idea to skip the X-Mas days trying for the final 2007 Sunday. Not a bad decision as

activity on the 30th appeared to be rather low. To end the year with a bang, we contacted our friend from World Musi Radio and much to our surprise we could arrange a 5815 kHz relay in addition to 6220 kHz. That was too a good decision... Sunday December 30th 6220 appeared to be weaker than usual and the 'extra' 5815 service made up for that. Power on 5815 was 7 kW and reception reports were received from all corners of Europe plus the USA. 6220 went out between 09.00–13.00 CET and 5815 between 11.00–15.00 CET and 21.00–01.00 CET. During the latter evening/ nighttime broadcast the 5815 signal was barely heard in Central-Western Europe but was indeed heard in remote areas including the USA and South America. Response really was overwhelming. Pxs that day included a 2007 Free Radio Review by Jan van Dijk, a listener's competition, a flashback to December 1991 in FRS Magazine. And of course 45 minutes of DX News. Mike Anderson made his debut with 30 min. Of DX Welle presented

in German. Two German presenters on FRS-Holland...that must be ages ago! A total of nearly 70 letters/ e-mails from 12 different countries were received. Yes, that makes us very happy.

At the moment you read this, we have just been airing our November 2008 broadcast. Following an absence of 306 days (according to Jan van Dijk...) we returned with 4 hour of programmes on Sun Nov. 2nd between 10.00–14.00 CET. We intended to be on between 09.00–13.00 CET but apparently something went wrong and programmes commenced one hour to late. Luckily propagation was better than last year November.

**Sunday Dec. 28th 2008**  
**FRS-Holland X-Mas**  
**Season Broadcast on**  
**6220 kHz 08.00–12.00**  
**UTC & hopefullu on a**  
**2nd frequency.**

## INFORMATION

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The next edition will be out  
next Winter 2009 (January /  
February 2009).

# Uplink

by Jan van Dijk

*Uplink is a new column featuring interesting radio-related pirate radio items from the world wide web. The item is a regular feature FRS-Holland's German Show presented by Jan van Dijk. In this packed November edition a triple column.....*

There are plenty of pirate radio websites, and many do not only present logs, stories and pictures. You can actually listen to a lot of free radio programmes on the internet, as a document of how good or bad reception was ... or flashing back to stations that vanished a long time ago. Krzysztof Rybus from Warsaw (Poland) is a free radio listener and has put many of his QSLs and recordings on the web. These are mainly shortwave pirates from 2006 and 2007 but also a few from an earlier period around 1998. Unfortunately, Krzysztof is sometimes taking a break, so by the end of December 2007 the most recent loggings were from August of that year. But there are some rare recordings he offers, e.g. Radio Bila Hora from the Czech Republic on 3333 kHz. The audio files are in the realmedia format. <[www.radio.strefa.pl](http://www.radio.strefa.pl)> (and then enter the English language site).

We all know pirates from Holland, the UK or Germany. But what about Norway? In the early 1980s there used to be a pretty active free radio scene over there on FM, and there is a spot on the web where you can find more than 30 recordings of these stations. Names include Siddis Radio and Studio 102, and the stations came from the town of Stavanger on the west coast. It might help if you understand some Norwegian as there is no English language info given. Anyway, the recordings are quite unique and probably not found anywhere else. <[www.esnips.com/web/piratraddonorge](http://www.esnips.com/web/piratraddonorge)>.

The Pirate Archive means what it says. This website is a great collection of material related to the English Midlands free radio scene from the 1970s up to 2003. About 30 stations that operated on FM, medium wave and short wave are listed. Longtime DXers might be familiar with some of the names such as Empire Radio, County Radio from Birmingham or Sunshine Radio from Ludlow in Shropshire. The Pirate Archive has extensive station histories of most of them including photos, press articles and many, many audio recordings plus some videos. The archive is still growing and requests more input from listeners who have something to contribute. <[www.thepiratearchive.net](http://www.thepiratearchive.net)>.



## NEW QSL FRS TX SERIES

The brandnew FRS Transmitter QSL series features pictures of different FRS transmitters from past & present is. Each QSL is numbered. Important: make sure to include a number of details from what you heard during a FRS broadcast. E-mail reports will be verified with an E-QSL (attachment). Number 1 features our first two 10W txs built in that famous wooden trunk, number 2 is our solid state 150W tx and the accompanying modulator. Number 3 shows





## MAILBOX 2702 MAILBOX 2702

## By Peter Verbruggen

First of all thanks to all listeners who responded to FRS' Nov. & Dec. 2007 and Nov. 2008 broadcasts. In this Mailbox 2702 we only feature mail from our last transmission. Time for some excerpts from the mail we received...

NOVEMBER 2008 MAIL

The first letter is from Finland "Hello Peter, I listened whole showtime with quite well reception.... I didn't have any recorder, so I can't send any proper report.... I think there was your complete ID at 10 minutes past 8 UTC... and that was programme in English by you.... then there was mentioned former reports got.... one was from Maik Köhler. Anyway, nice to hear your programmes." Thank you Alpo Heinonen in Saarenkyla.

Alex Vranes jr. comes all the way from Harpers Ferry, West Virginia, USA. He writes: "Dear Friends, I am hearing you now 0925 UTC on 6220 here in the state of West Virginia in the eastern U.S., about 125 km. west-northwest of Washington, D.C. Signal is not too strong, but very clear. I will mail you a reception report on Monday, but I just wanted to let you know now that I am hearing you, and I have also enclosed a picture of me." Well, quite exceptional to have been heard so 'late' in the morning in the USA!

"Many thanks for your broadcast on the 2nd of November 2008. Of course my receiver was locked for the whole 4 hours on 6220 kc/s. Signal strength (SINPO rating: 4444, receiver: Lextronix E, antenna: AOR LA390 magnetic loop) and audio-quality was on armchair listening level here in the southern part of Germany. The choice of music covered a broad range of great tracks from the past (like Big Country's lovely song "Chance") till today (e.g. Coldplay). Together with the professional FRSH stylish program flow (jingles, ramp talks etc.) yesterday's FRSH transmission gave me once more reasons why the Free Radio Service Holland is one of my favorite radiostations since the early eighties. Regards, Michael Geisel." Nice words Michael...and congratulations for winning our December 2007 competition (together with Norbert Scheel from Berlin). Enjoy the Joop ter Zee CD!!

We take a fast plane and fly to Scotland, the home of good 'old' Ian Biggar who already tuned to FRSH in 1980! "Hi Peter, Jan & Paul, yes I thought there must be a problem as I was up bright and early at 0740 UTC and when I fired up the vintage Grundig Satellite 2100 no FRS-Holland programmes !!! However I stuck it out and when I heard "Peace" at 0900 I knew what had happened! A fairly good signal despite the noise from TV and computers. Heard the usual tune up and interval signal and welcome to FRS Magazine. Signal was 33233 using the Grundig with only telescopic aerial. I would like a QSL card and FRS News. It was good to hear a station that still does proper and interesting programmes. To be honest I never listen to 48 metres that much as I don't find many of the stations very interesting. Regards, Ian." Good to hear from you Ian after so long!!

Another 'old friend' Joachim Tegeler, Osnabruck/ Germany. "Great to listen to FRSH again after years! As you know I do not have a shortwave receiver any longer, so the "transmission" via internet is a good opportunity listening to the programme. It is an emotional moment hearing your voice over such an "old" station, regarding your long activity in free radio during past and present and remembering many of the hours I have spent on the receiver in former times picking up the shortwave signals of FRSH. Never before I was able to understand all spoken items of the radio show. This is also "just a bit difference" like your slogan. I shall enjoy the further part of the programme of this day I am listening to at the moment. Just now, the German Service is beginning. Best wishes to you. Yours, Joachim." Joachim picked us up



via our audio stream and apparently he enjoyed the idea of meeting us again. We too Joa-

chim!

Robertas Pogorelis from Leuven, Belgium writes that the reports in FRS Goes DX about radiobooks was "an excellent idea." Thanks!

Hans-Jürgen Tausend from Munich in Germany says: "für Eure neueste Sendung, die ich leider nur via Internet hören konnte, möchte ich Euch gratulieren. Eine tolle Show!! Sehr professionell, ausgewogen, auch in der Musikkarte. Empfänger ein, hinsetzen, zuhören und genießen...."

Finally a letter from Japan. "I heard your station

Bedford, UK" writes Isao Yamanaka from Chiba-Ken in Japan. Apart from the internet audio stream you can always check one of the many remotely controlled receivers on the internet, a good idea indeed!

December 2007 FRS-Holland received letters & mails from no less than 16 (!) countries including the Netherlands, Denmark, France, Germany, Italy, UK, Austria, Finland, Poland, Sweden, Spain, USA, Belgium, Latvia, Lithuania & Russia.

## INVITATION

December 30th FRS-Holland will continue a long time tradition. And that means we invite you- the listener- to participate. Forward your very own personal New Year Greetings to the

Free Radio Service Holland and we will make sure it'll be read out during our Dec. 28th broadcast. You can dedicate your greetings to friends etc. but you can also wish some-thing' for the New Year 2008. Greetings can be written on taped (cassette, CD, MD or MP3 file) and send to our P.O.Box 2702, 6049 ZG Herten in the Netherlands. Of course the easy & quick way is by sending an e-mail: <frs@frsholland.nl>. Or <frs.holland@hccnet.nl>. You can add something special to our December 28th broadcast by participating. So....what are you waiting for? Make sure your contribution reaches us before December 5th. We are looking forward hearing from you !!! Tune on the 28th...it'll be great fun !!!

# FACT FILE *Flashing back to November 1980 & December 1991*

## Newsfacts November 1980

**November 4:** U.S. presidential election, 1980: Former Hollywood actor and Republican Ronald Reagan wins the US presidential elections by a huge majority defeating Democratic President Jimmy Carter. This happens exactly 1 year after the beginning of the Iran hostage crisis \*\* **November 10:** The longest television production of Shakespeare's Hamlet yet telecast in the U.S. \_ three and a half hours with no commercials is shown by PBS after having been broadcast in England in May \*\* **November 12:** Voyager program: The NASA space probe Voyager 1 makes its closest approach to Saturn, when it flies within 77,000 miles of the planet's cloud\_tops and sends the first high resolution images of the world back to scientists on Earth \*\* Saturn's rings caught on film. Space probe Voyager 1 sends vivid images of the rings of Saturn across nearly a billion miles of space. Martin Scorsese's Raging Bull, starring Robert De Niro, premieres. The film will win De Niro a Best Actor Academy Award \*\* **November 20:** The Gang of Four trial begins in China \*\* **November 21:** A fire at the MGM Grand Hotel and Casino in Las Vegas, Nevada kills 85 people \*\* **November 21:** Millions of viewers tune into the U.S. TV soap opera Dallas to learn who shot lead character J.R. Ewing. The "Who shot J.R.?" event is a national obsession \*\* **November 23:** A series of earthquakes in southern Italy kills approximately 4,800 people.

## Music News November 1980

**November 1-** Graham Bonnett leaves popgroup Rainbow to start a solo career \*\* **November 12-** John Lennon releases a single being his first one in 5 year's time. The song is called *Starting Over*. On the cover a kissing John en Yoko \*\* **November 21-** Don Henley is arrested in LA after the police found a 16 year old girl in his house who took an overdose drugs. The Eagles drummer gets a 2000 dollar fine \*\* **November 26\_** In New York City the music-movie "Wings Over America" had its premiere. It features the first American Wings tour.

## Top 10- USA (18th November 1980)

1. Woman In Love/ Barbra Streisand— 2. Another One Bites the Dust / Queen (Elektra)— 3. Lady /Kenny Rogers —4. Whip It / Devo— 5. He's So Shy / The Pointer Sisters — 6. The Wanderer/ Donna Summer —7. Master Blaster (Jammin')/ Stevie Wonder — 8. Never Knew Love Like This Before \_ Stephanie Mills 9. I'm Coming Out/ Diana Ross— 10. Let Me Be Your Angel/ Stacy Lattisaw.

## Top 10 UK

1 Blondie/ The Tide Is High — 2 Barbra Streisand / Woman In Love —3 Abba / Super Trouper — 4 Dennis Waterman / I Could Be So Good For You — 5 Bad Manners / Special Brew 6 David Bowie / Fashion — 7 Stephanie Mills / Never Knew Love Like This Before — 8 Status Quo / What You're Proposing — 9 Adam & The Ants / Dog Eat Dog — 10 Orchestral Manoeuvres In The Dark / Enola Gay.

## Radio News November 1980

**Looking** at the offshore scene the only conclusion is there is no news at all **because** at this stage there's no Offshore vessel in the North Sea. March 1980 saw the MV Mi Amigo disappearing in the Northsea waves. It would take nearly three years before Caroline would return on 319.

## Free Radio News

On the SW bands, many from different countries are active. To mention a few: Radio Free City 7375, Radio Nolan Int. 6290, Radio Woodstock 7315, Radio Tornado 7380 , Radio Aquarius, RECC 11580, Radio Dublin 6315, Empire Radio, BRI 6225, Radio Hotel Amigo 6320, Radio Krypton, Radio Condor 11463, Radio Impact 7340, Radio Tower 7315, EMR 6235 & 7325, Radio Diamond 6277, Radio Zodiac 7325//6235, WLS 7340, Radio Gemini 6232, Radio Canon 6272 and FRSH 6250. KDKC #58 November 1980 features FRSH on the cover!!



## Newsfacts December 1991

**December 4-** Journalist Terry Anderson is released after 7 years' captivity as a hostage in Beirut (he was the last and longest held American hostage in Lebanon). Pan American World Airways ends operations \*\* **December 8-** Ten

former USSR states unite in the GOS \*\* **December 11-** The Former GDR president & party leader Erich Honecker flees to the Chilean ambassey in Moscow. Germany demands his extradition because he is responsible for shooting of civilians on the GDR/ FRG border \*\* **December 15\_** The Egyptian ferry Salem Express sinks in the Red Sea, killing more than 450 \*\* **December 22 \_** One month after Freddie Mercury's death, Queen's re\_release of Bohemian Rhapsody returns to the top of the British singles charts, 16 years after the original version. It is the first and only time a single has gone to number one in the same version more than once. It was also the first and only time a single **has** gone to number one more than once on the UK Christmas charts. It has now spent a total of 14 weeks on the UK charts \*\* **December 25 \_** Mikhail Gorbachev resigns as president of the Soviet Union, from which most republics have already disbanded; the 73\_year\_old state is now expected to dissolve completely \*\* **December 31 \_** The Soviet Union officially ceases to exist. Also on this day the East\_German state-owned TV quits. At precisely 24.00 hours DFS1 and DFS2 leave the airwaves replaced by West German ARD & ZDF.

## Music News December 1991

Following a long juridical fight in court, Rita Marley & her children receive 11 million dollar.... [to be cont. on page 5]



### Information on FRS-Holland's 28th December 2008 Seasonal Broadcast

Following a very successful broadcast over the 2007 Festive Season, FRSH has once again planned a December broadcast on the 28th, the final 2008 Sunday. Pxs will be presented by Jan van Dijk doing a 2008 Free Radio review in his *German Show*. Paul Graham will be doing another classic *FRS Golden Show* playing great 60s/ 70s stuff as well as a feature on a land-based pirate radio station from years gone by. Peter Verbruggen will look back to what happened in the past on December 28th (Day Calendar) and plays a mix of 80s/90s/00s records in *FRS Magazine*. He will also host the 45 min. *FRS Goes DX Show* with the latest news from the wonderful world of wireless. Mike Anderson's *DX Welle* will feature a mix of DX News and music. During the pxs we will read out November mail and New Year's Greetings. There's a listener's competition and 'the Phrase that Pays'. In addition a 15 minute Joop ter Zee tribute will be aired. Pxs will most likely commence at 08.00 UTC/ 09.00 CET and last till 12.00 UTC/ 13.00 CET. Frequency is 6220 kHz. Part of the shows will be repeated on a different frequency, most likely in the afternoon. That day FRS will also be heard via the Internet, perhaps pxs will be repeated a number of times. We will send a few e-mails in November/ December and a few days before the broadcast we hope to reveal the afternoon frequency and time-slot.

### FRS-Holland Jingle CD \*\* Special December Festive Season Offer

Early 2000 we introduced the *FRS Jingle CD*. Eversince numerous CDs were sent to people all over Europe. We received very positive and enthusiastic response. The *FRS Jingle CD* covers digitalized stuff covering almost 20 years of FRS jingling divided into eight sections. It starts with the early 80s and ends with the millennium set produced in 1999. The CD contains no less than 226 jingles and costs normally costs € 12.99 / £ 8.99. Now You can purchase the CD for only € 9.99 / £ 6.99 !!! Send the money cash to our maildrop: P.O.Box 2702, 6049 ZG in Her-ten, the Netherlands. A 'must have' for FRS fans and a great asset to your jingle collection....the *FRS-Holland Jingle CD*. For more info contact us via e-mail.

[Cont. from page 4] .....of Bob Marley's inheritance Dec. 9th. Ziggy Marley's daughter is born on his same day, he names her Justice \*\* The original surviving members of Bill Haley and His Comets from the 1950s reunite for a European concert tour, and soon after resume regular touring and recording engagements that continue as of 2005.

### Top UK singles December 1991

1 Queen *Bohemian Rhapsody* / *These Are The Days Of Our Lives*— 2 Diana Ross/ *When You Tell Me That You Love Me*— 3 KLF featuring Tammy Wynette/ *Justified And Ancient*— 4 George Michael & Elton John/ *Don't Let The Sun Go Down On Me*— 5 Right Said Fred/ *Don't Talk Just Kiss*— 6 Guns 'N' Roses/ *Live And Let Die*— 7 Kym Sims/ *Too Blind To See It*— 8 Hammer Addams/ *Groove*— 9 Brian May/ *Driven By You*— 10 Michael Jackson/ *Black Or White*— 11 Simply Red/ *Stars*.

### Radio News December 1991

Breaking news in Dec. 1991 is the fact RTL quits its English language medium wave broadcasts on 1440 kHz/ 208 metres. That happens Dec. 29th with a special party attended by several former and current jocks. In particular in the 60s & 70s 208 was very popular among listeners in the whole of Europe \*\* December 1991 was the first month since 1983 without any radio ship in the Northsea. The end of an era in British radio history. November 22nd the *Caroline* ship *Ross Revenge* was refloated with the help of two tug boats after losing its anchor two days earlier. As a result the ship ran on a sandbank. The ship was tugged to Dover and held under arrest. One year earlier- in November 1990- the last trms emanated from the *Ross*. Eversince the ship remained at its anchorage without any trms \*\* December 1991 Peter Moore says that spirits are high among the *Caroline* crew. Negotiations regarding the future of the *Ross Revenge* continue. Involved are the Dover Harbort Board and *Caroline* representatives. The DHB sets its final salvage bill for the rescue of the *Ross Revenge* at £ 40,000. On board the *RR* is a caretaker crew consisting of Neil Gates, Steve Conway, Wendy Shephard & Ricky Jones \*\* Since the 1991 summer *Caroline* pxs have been aired via RNYI on SW and via *Radio For Peace* Int. RNYI leases airtime on WWCN (7435) & since Oct 1991 on RFPI (13630, 7375 & 25945)\*\*Meanwhile Chris England & John Burch are trying to set up a project to put *Caroline* back onto *Astra* satellite before its 28th birthday March 1992. There seems to be enough financial backing but talks with *Caroline's* Peter Moore fail -he's been called arrogant by one of the backers- and the project will not be continued.

### Free Radio News

On the SW bands quite some activity in December 1991. Familiar names from that era are: *Radio Fax* 3910/ 6205/12255. Salient detail: 3910 kHz was just added. More FR stations on the SW bands in dec. 1991: JRR (6231)/ BRI (6231)/ *Passion Radio* from Germany (6234//9985)-- run by *Pirate Freaks Broadcasting Service* OP/ *Radio Pacman* (6238)/ *Radio Merlin* (6240)/ *Radio Orion* (6290)/.....



Radio Stella from Scotland, remember Jock Wilson (6296//11415)/ Radio Dublin (6280-6910)/ Nordlicht radio (6299)/ Radio Brigitte (6536)/RWI/ Radio Marabu/ Radio Orang Utan/ Radio Mutiny/ Rocket 48/ Radio Geronimo/European Pirate radio/ WNKR/ Radio Mirage from Norway/ Radio Reflex/ LiveWire Radio/ Radio Gemini (pioneer)/ Radio ECC/ Radio Caldonia/ VotN/ PFBS Radio/ Radio Vanessa/ Ozone Radio/ Total Control radio/ Southern Mx Radio/ Voice of Germany/ Radio Zenith Int./Radio Titanic/ Radio Nolan. Ozone Radio Radio most Sun on 6280 operated by veteran broadcaster Prince Terry. Radio Dublin 24 hours a day/ 7 days a week on 6910 since Dec. 1st 1991. Dutch powerhouse Radio Reflex is a continuation of Radio Telstar using a well-known add in Ruurlo. RECC is very irregular on air and Marconi Radio testing Dec. 25th on 11390, pre-publicised by Dutch Media Network. X-Mas Radio 7590 Dec. 25/26 annual shows 08-14 hours/ nighttime 3883 kHz. BRI Sun Dec. 22nd 6232 via JRR. Boxing Day on 6232//7325. 7325 added because of TWR Monaco using 6230 11-1120 UTC. Radio Mi Amigo UK making its final regular tm Dec. 15th on 6400. Live Wire Radio made a number of US tests over X-Mas Season. Station was operated by Bill Lewis. WMR Scotland X-Mas broadcasts Dec. 25/26 7445 and 6297/6240. Radio Merlin was raided Dec. 23rd (second time> also in Oct.). The new 150 W tx was confiscated.

**Fact File** is a regular item in FRS News in which a particular month/ year is featured including general news, the Top 5s and radio news as well. Listening to FRS-Holland you can tune in to Peter Verbruggen's FRS Magazine featuring this item under the title 'Flashback to.....'.

## FRS Sales Productions

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## FRS NEWS- A POTTED HISTORY

This small newsletter was first published under the name **FRS Newsletter** in January 1993. After 14 editions, the name was changed to **FRS News**. That was in 1997. The FRS Newsletter was continued for subscribers only and its content changed from covering FRS-Holland only to emphasizing on Free Radio News in general. Where the FRS Newsletter ended, FRS News continued informing the listening audience with news from the Free Radio Service Holland. In the mean time the FRS Newsletter has been discontinued. After 7 years, the final edition # 39/40 was published December 2003. What is left is **FRS News** which will certainly continue as for us it is

an important means of communication between FRS-Holland and you, the listener!

Talking of communication or better: improving it...we regularly try to introduce fresh columns. Every new edition, we'll pu-

blish a collection of the letters/ e-mails we received via our Herten "2702" maildrop or <frs@frsholland.nl>/ <frs.holland@frsholland.nl>. We feel that's a good idea. Send us your opinion and ideas. So far response has been very encouraging. So: thank you to all of you who sent in (positive) comments. In addition in each issue we will go back in time with a flashback to a particular month/year including one of our broadcasts, SW news etc. This item is also included in future editions of **FRS Magazine** presented by Peter Verbruggen. Any ideas which might benefit FRS News are more than welcome!



## The December 2007 Competition

In December we ran a competition in which we gave five clues referring at Free Radio stations on SW. The correct answers were: 1=European Music Radio / 2=Radio Gloria / 3=Weekend Music Radio / 4= Radio Brigitte 5= Radio Joystick. The winners are **Norbert Scheel from Berlin and Michael Geisel from Pfullingen**. Both had 4 out of 5 questions correct (2,3,4 & 5) and both mentioned as number 1 Radio Jackie. Coincident or not: Radio Jackie is a legendary station going legal these days which even broadcasted on SW so now and then.... Winners may choose a 90 minute CD studio recording from FRS-Holland archive.